Selectmen's Work Session

March 16, 2021

In attendance: Scott Young, Chairman, Brian Monahan, and Lynn Sweet

Also in attendance: Alison Brisson

Meeting called to order 5:30PM.

The first item of business was the acceptance of Lynn Sweet's resignation from position of Town Moderator due to the write-in campaign in which she was elected to the position of Selectman. Ms. Sweet has accepted the position of Selectman, and State Statute prohibits her from holding both positions. The Supervisors of the Checklist will nominated a Moderator Pro-Tem before the next Town Meeting.

The Board members reviewed Alison Brisson's resumé and application to the vacant alternate position on the ZBA; Tim Reed was elected to the Planning Board and stepped down from the ZBA. They discussed some mechanics of the Board and encouraged her to adhere to the Statutes and to avoid personal or agenda driven decisions. There will be no ZBA meeting in March as both cases have been postponed. The Board confirmed to Ms. Whitcher that in serving on the ZBA, she and other members bear no personal liability in that role; she is indemnified. Ms. Whitcher was sworn in by Town Clerk Terri Marsh.

An appointment slip and notice of pay rate for Deputy Town Clerk, Stephanie Norton were signed.

For several months, the Board has been seeking, without success, someone to fill the position of Land Use Clerk. Liz Evans, who currently handles land use matters will be stepping down from that position after the April 1st Planning Board meeting. With that impending vacancy, it was suggested that we contract the services of a Land Use Planner from Strafford Regional Planning Commission. Preliminary investigation indicates that this is might be a viable solution. The Board will need to meet with a representative from SRPC to get more specific details about tasks this person might be expected to fulfill.

Ms. Sweet presented costs and benefits of a Town Zoom subscription.

The Selectmen signed the deed for the repurchase of the property on M31 L29 by its former owner.

With no further business to consider, it was moved, seconded and voted to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 6:20PM.